

Remarks

The Examiner's reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendment above, attachment hereto, and comments which follow.

First of all, Examiner Kumar is thanked for the courtesy of the telephone interview with the undersigned and Adam Branscombe of Nash Matthews of Cambridge, UK on April 4, 2008. During the interview, it was discussed that a new Figure 2 would be provided to the Examiner to help in the understanding of the invention, and show how the blister pack is inserted, as explained in the specification, for example, at page 6, in the second paragraph. It was discussed that with this change, and with the explanation, the claims, as drafted, should distinguish from the prior art.

Accordingly, new Figure 2 is attached hereto for consideration. As explained during the interview, as the blister pack is inserted, and as explained at page 6 of the specification, the upper jaw 16 rotates upwardly due to the deformation of the curved portion 20, thus allowing the blister to be inserted. The arrow in Figure 2 shows that upward rotation. It is believed that with this depiction, in combination with the description in the specification, no new matter has been added (since nothing at all has been changed and only the written description is now visually shown in Figure 2), and also the claims, as cast, clearly distinguish from the prior art.

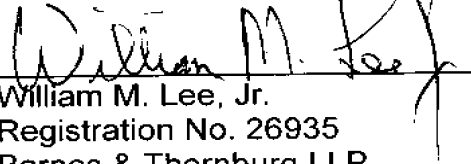
Claim 1 identifies the jaws as being moveable relative to one another. That is shown in Figure 2 and described in the specification, such as in the second paragraph on page 6, and nothing of the sort is shown or described in the prior art, including in the Vierkotter reference, as also discussed during the interview.

It is therefore submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. No new issues have been raised by this response, and it should therefore be entered. The Examiner's further and favorable reconsideration is therefore urged.

As this response is being sent during the fourth month following the Examiner's Office Action, an appropriate Petition for Extension of Time is also submitted herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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